Amendments to the Specification:

Please insert the following heading at page 1, line 2:

--Background of the Invention

Technical Field--

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--Description of Related Art--

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--Brief Description of the Drawings--

Please insert the following heading at page 4, line 21:

--Detailed Description of Embodiments--

Please replace the paragraph beginning at page 5, line 24, with the following rewritten paragraph:

-- It will be noted from Figure 5 that a novel feature of the assembly of the invention is the way in which the pressure plate 4 can be moved from its first trouser pressing position shown in Figures 1 and 3 to its second ironing position shown in Figure 5. This is achieved by mounting the end of the plate 4 which is attached to the bottom of the body 1 to be slidably movable up the body until it reaches the position shown in Figures 4 and 5 where it extends laterally outwardly from the body 1 generally normal thereto. Plate 4 has a pair of pins or slide members [[(not shown)]] 4e which extend laterally from each side of its base and are captively mounted to slide in a slot or channel 15 extending along either side edge of the plate 4 (see [[Figure 3]] Figures 3 and 8E).--

Please replace the paragraph beginning at page 8, line 31, with the following rewritten paragraph:

-- The second embodiment illustrated in Figures 7A and 7B works in the same way except that the housing 1 includes a perforated base plate 34. The sole plate 35 of the iron 3 is placed on the base plate 34 to stow it when not in use. The perforations 36 in the base plate 34 are in communication with an extension 37 of the duct 22a that extends beneath the base plate 34 and joins the duct 22a. A rotatably mounted valve member 38 is mounted within the duct 22a in the region where the extension 37 joins the remainder of the duct 22a. The valve member 38 includes a trigger 39 that protrudes through the base plate 34 and a baffle 40a that depends into

the duct 22a. The valve member 38 is sprung or weighted so that it assumes the position shown in Figure 7A when the iron 3 is removed from the base plate 34 so that the [[baffle 40]] baffle 40a blocks the entrance to the extension 37 but allows steam drawn through the pressure plate 4 to pass through the duct 22a into the condenser 22 when the fan 23 is operational. However, when the iron 3 is placed on the base plate 34, its weight presses against the trigger 39 and causes the valve member 38 to rotate into the orientation shown in Figure 8 so that the baffle 40a now blocks the path of the duct 22a from the pressure plate 4 and communicates the extension 37 with the remainder of the duct 22a. As can be seen from the arrows in Figure 7A, this arrangement ensures that any steam generated by the iron 3 whilst it is placed on its base plate 34 is drawn away through the perforations 36 and into the condenser 22 via the duct 22a.--